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CHARDONNENS et al.

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For: NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCES ENCODING
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION WITH RCE

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Applicants respond to the Final Office Action dated November 14, 2007. A Request for Continued Examination and a petition for an extension of time with the required fees are attached. Reconsideration of the rejections is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.